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UK VIEWS ON QUESTIONS PARA 4, (1) THROUGH (3) REFTEL

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DISCUSSED WITH MCQUEEN OF DEPARTMENT OF TRADE SHIPPING

POLICY DIVISION. MCQUEEN NOTED HE HAD PROVIDED COPIES OF UK REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT LIABILITY CONVENTION TO MR. BANK (EB/TT/MA) DURING VISIT IN JUNE. IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS PARA (4) MCQUEEN TOLD EMBOFF FOLLOWING:

(1) IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE UK COULD ACCEPT ANY CERTIFICATE OTHER THAN THAT ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONVENTION AND IN THE FORM SPECIFIED IN THE ANNEX TO THE CONVENTION.

(2) UK IS WILLING TO ACCEPT CERTIFICATES FROM OTHER STATES PARTY TO THE CONVENTION FOR THIRD COUNTRY REGISTERED VESSELS. THERE IS NO LIST OF WHICH COUNTRIES CERTIFICATES WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE BUT, PRESUMABLY, IN LINE WITH CONVENTION ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY A PARTY TO THE CONVENTION FOR A SHIP UNDER ITS OWN REGISTRY OR THAT OF ANOTHER PARTY OR NON-PARTY WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE. IN THIS REGARD, MCQUEEN NOTED THAT UK IN ITS REGULATIONS HAS STATED IT WILL ACCEPT CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY ANY OECD COUNTRY IN RESPECT OF SHIPS UNDER THE STATES NATIONAL REGISTRY WHETHER OR NOT THAT COUNTRY IS A PARTY TO THE CONVENTION. THIS REGULATION, OF COURSE, EXTENDS TO CERTIFICATES WHICH MIGHT BE ISSUED BY THE U.S. FOR U.S. REGISTERED VESSELS. (SEE UK STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS NO. 869,1975.)

(3) ALL SHIPS ENTERING OR DEPARTING UK PORTS MUST HAVE CERTIFICATE REQUIRED BY THE CONVENTION. THIS CAN BE OBTAINED IN THE UK ON EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE FROM P AND I CLUB. THE 18 P AND I CLUB OFFICES IN UK ARE UNDERSTOOD TO COVER SOME 80 PERCENT OF TANKERS IN WORLD AT PRESENT INCLUDING MANY U.S. SHIPS.

(4) MCQUEEN PROVIDED COPIES OF UK REGULATIONS WHICH WE ARE POUCHING TO DEPT. C/O MR. BANK, EB/TT/MA.

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